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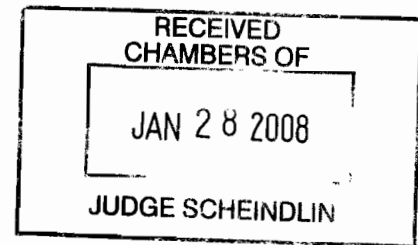
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The Honorable Shira A. Scheindlin
 United States District Court Judge
 United States District Court
 Southern District of New York
 500 Pearl Street
 Room 1620
 New York, New York 10007-1312



Re: Ocean Ridge Capital Advisors, LLC, as Litigation
 Trustee of the MAS Litigation Trust v. Metropolitan
 Life Insurance Co., *et al.*
 07 Civ. 3213 (SAS)

Dear Judge Scheindlin:

We represent defendants BancAmerica Capital Investors II, LP ("BACI"), Suez Capital Partner II, LP ("Suez"), Indosuez Capital Co-Invest Partners LP (Indosuez"), and SCP II Associates ("SCP II") in this action. In December 2007, my clients reached a tentative settlement in principle with plaintiff Ocean Ridge Capital Advisors, LLC ("Plaintiff"). The parties are now finalizing the settlement documents.

The deadline for joining additional parties, as set out in the Court's Amended Scheduling Order, is Thursday, January 31, 2008. Because the Plaintiff and BACI, Suez, Indosuez and SCP II are working on completing their settlement, BACI, Suez, Indosuez and SCP II respectfully request that the Court adjourn, until February 29, 2008, the time for the BACI, Suez, Indosuez and SCP II to join additional parties. We make this request solely on behalf of BACI, Suez, Indosuez and SCP II. My understanding is that certain other defendants have made this same requests.

We have spoken with Plaintiff's counsel, who do not object to our request.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,


 Scott S. McKessy

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cc: All Counsel of Record (via electronic mail only)

*defendants' request
 is granted. the time
 for defendants to join
 additional parties is
 extended to Feb. 29,
 2008.*

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Date: Jan. 29, 2008

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